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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL WARRANT OFFICER CANDIDATES

SUBJECT: Warrant Officer Candidate School Welcome and Orientation

1. Congratulations on your selection to attend Warrant Officer Candidate School (WOCS). I am confident that you will find WOCS to be a challenging and rewarding experience. The program is designed to ensure you are effectively prepared to become an Army Warrant Officer, as well as to help you realize what you are capable of achieving under mentally and physically demanding conditions. The daily training, mentoring and feedback regimen in a task saturated environment will help you develop the leadership skills and attributes required of the contemporary Army Warrant Officer. Upon your completion of the program and appointment as a Warrant Officer, you will have a justifiable sense of accomplishment and tremendous pride in knowing that you are prepared to begin your new journey as an Army Warrant Officer.
2. Prior to reporting to WOCS, there are several affairs you can do to mentally and physically prepare:
 - a. Resolve to exceed the leadership challenges you will encounter during the program. The stronger your motivation to succeed, the better you will do.
 - b. Strive to ignore any rumors you may have heard about WOCS; it is true that WOCS has evolved but the training and leader developmental goals of WOCS remain focused in preparing you to serve as an officer.
 - c. To the maximum extent possible, resolve personal, financial, and family matters before you report. Addressing these variables before you arrive will help you concentrate and better focus on your training.
3. Get into top-notch physical condition before you arrive to enable you to do your very best in daily physical training and to help you acclimatize your body to the higher temperatures and humidity prevalent in the southeast corner of lower Alabama throughout the year.
4. Again, congratulations on your selection for WOCS. The cadre and staff of the Warrant Officer Career College look forward to helping you acquire the tools you will need to better serve our Nation and our Army.

Strength in Knowledge!

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Pre-Reporting Checklist
Orientation Packet

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